UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

United States of America

v.

Case No. 08-cr-18-01-SM

Benjamin Varona

ORDER

Defendant Varona's motion to continue the trial is granted (document 11). Trial has been rescheduled for the January 2009 trial period. Defendant Varona shall file a waiver of speedy trial rights not later than October 6, 2008. On the filing of such waiver, his continuance shall be effective.

The Court finds that the ends of justice served by granting a continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial, 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B)(iv), in that failure to grant a continuance would unreasonably deny defendant the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation taking into account the exercise of due diligence under the circumstances.

Final Pretrial Conference: January 14, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.

Jury Selection: January 21, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.

SO ORDERED.

Steven J. McAuliffe

Chief Judge

September 23, 2008

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US Probation US Marshal